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Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office Investigates Golf Course Vandalism

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office detectives are investigating an act of vandalism that took place at Dretzka Park located 12020 W. Bradley Road in Milwaukee. Some time between 10 p.m. Thursday and 5 a.m. Friday, a suspect(s) drove a vehicle over the golf course causing damage to the grass.

This is the second act of vandalism at Dretzka Park within a month. On July 26th, vandals set a port-a-potty on fire, broke a stone and cement memorial bench, damaged sprinklers and broke a ball washer. Damage is estimated to be over \$5000.

Vandals damaged at least three other golf courses this summer. They include courses at Doyne, Whitnall and Warnimont Parks. There is no evidence at this time to suggest that the incidents may be related.

Milwaukee County Sheriff's officers will increase surveillance at the parks. In addition, detectives are talking with neighbors and nearby businesses. Citizens with information about these acts of vandalism are encouraged to call the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office at (414) 278-4788.

Suspect Arrested in Kosciuszko Community Center Vandalism

In an unrelated manner, Milwaukee County Sheriff's detectives arrested a 15 year-old suspect for vandalism at Kosciuszko Community Center located 2201 S. 7th Street. The teen was arrested for burglary and taken to the Children's Detention Center.

On August 7th, the suspect broke into the community center, smashed windows and damaged office doors and vending machines.

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